

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert the following new paragraph on page 1, before line 1, in the instant specification:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/243,952, filed September 16, 2002, which claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/407,687, filed September 4, 2002, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace paragraph [0034] with the following amended paragraph:

[0034] Figs. 3(a) and 3(b) illustrate various types of oxidation grading of the contact layer(s) according to certain example embodiments of this invention. These figures are for purposes of example only. Further details with respect to oxidation grading of the contact layer(s) may be found in U.S. Serial No. 09/794,224, filed Feb. 28, 2001 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,576,349), the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

Please replace paragraph [0035] with the following amended paragraph:

[0035] Figure 4 illustrates how an oxidation graded contact layer may be deposited on a substrate as part of a coating according to an exemplary embodiment of this invention, using an asymmetric introduction of oxygen gas at a target area. Substrate

1 with part of a layer system thereon proceeds in direction D through the sputter coater. When the substrate 1 is moving in direction D beneath target 51 (within shield 53), gas is introduced around the target on two sides 57 and 59 thereof. On one side 57 of target 51, at least oxygen (e.g., O₂) gas (e.g., oxygen flow of about 30-60 mL/min. at 4.1 kW), and optionally a mixture of oxygen and an inert gas such as argon (Ar), is fed into the coating zone beneath and/or proximate the target. However, on the other side 59 of target 51, less oxygen gas is used and more of another gas such as Ar is introduced into the coating zone beneath and/or proximate the target. Again, further details with respect to oxidation grading may be found in U.S. Serial No. 09/794,224 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,576,349). It can also be seen that oxygen gas is used proximate the silver target 60 as discussed herein.

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following amended paragraph:

[0039] Further details regarding the aforesaid layers 3-7, 11-17 and 21-25 may be found in U.S. Serial No. 09/794,224, filed Feb. 28, 2001 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,576,349), the entire disclosure of which is hereby incorporated herein by reference (see also WO 02/04375).

Please replace paragraph [0051] with the following amended paragraph:

[0051] Certain terms are prevalently used in the glass coating art, particularly when defining the properties and solar management characteristics of coated glass. Such

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terms are used herein in accordance with their well known meaning. For example, see the meanings of these terms as set forth in 09/794,224 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,576,349), incorporated herein by reference (see also WO 02/04375).